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REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated May 13, 2002, applicant hereby amends the above-identified patent application as follows:

In the Claims

Please amend claims 33, 34, 36-45, 49, 50, 52-59, 61, 65, 66, 68-70, 73, 76, 77, 79, and 80 as follows.

C1 33. (Amended) The method of claim 32, further comprising settling the futures contracts based on the notional fixed-income related instrument.

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